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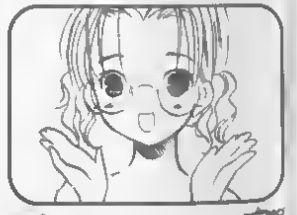
Hinaichigo
Another one of the Rozen Maiden dolls She is staying with the Sakurada family as Shinku's servant.

Suiseiseki
One of the Rozen Maiden dolls. She came looking for help from Shinku

Suiguintoh
One of the Rozen Maiden dolls just like Shinku. She is Shinku's rival.

Souseiseki
One of the Rozen Maiden dolls, twin sister of Suiseiseki.



Nori Sakurada
Jun's older sister She handles all the chores and housework for the Sakurada household Quite a space cadet

Tomoe Kashiwara
Jun's childhood friend and classmate She was a former master of Hinaichigo.

Canaria
Self-proclaimed "brain" of the Rozen Maiden Dolls She spies on Shinku and her friends

Introduction

Sakurada Jun is a middle school hikikomori, a student who never leaves his room. His favorite pastime is getting a thrill from returning products he buys online before the "cooling off" period ends. His sister, Nori, is concerned about him, but Jun won't open up to her about what he's feeling. One day, among the items he has ordered online, he finds an exquisite antique doll. Bursting with curiosity, Jun winds the key in the back of the doll, which causes the doll to start moving and speaking. It says to Jun, "My name is Shinku. From now on you shall be my servant." Shinku is a living doll, one of the Rozen Maidens. To protect Shinku's Rosa Mystica, Jun gets tangled up in magical and strange battles between the other Rozen Maiden dolls...

Characters

Jun Sakurada
Middle school hikikomori By chance, he is Shinku's servant (but technically her master)

Shinku
No 5 doll of the Rozen Maiden series of dolls with magical powers.

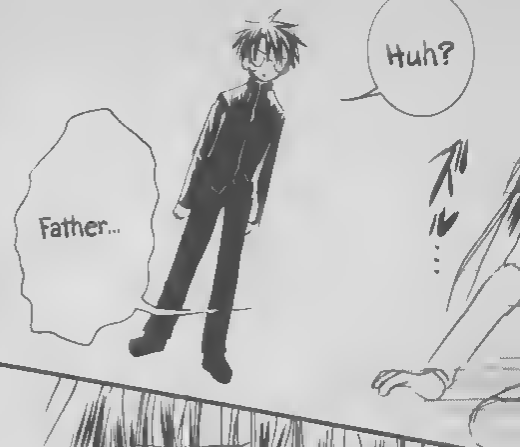
Phase 29

Rozen Maiden

私は I shall become Alice..
アリスになる きっと私
Alice Game Junk
父親の望む
お父様はいつか
the perfect little girl that father desires

Look at me!
Don't look at me!

Father..
Fa...


Huh?
Father...

It's dark in here, and I can't see anything...
Father? No, I'm just...
Wait...

Wha...
The bond between the rest of the sisters and that master is ridiculous.
It doesn't make any sense.
This world needs only me and my father, and that's all
What? When will you ever meet my father?
I can't wait to meet your father
When I become a part of you, Suiguintoh.
Well . . .

I want to take such good care of you.
I don't want to be touched by human hands.
Come on, Suiguintoh.
Just a little bit.
Okay?
Humans inevitably defile the things they shouldn't.
I can understand your feelings, being an angel as you are.

...of that girl...?
The memory...
Suiguintoh...
I'm...
...not pretty...
...at all.

Tell me what's wrong!
Call the doctor!
Meg-chan, hold on.
painful
A song?
What is it, Meg-chan?
I want to fly away with you...
Take me...

You are...
.....
Who are you ?
You're not father...
Meg...
I am your...
Or if I remain a broken mess like this...
But I don't care.
Since I stole mine, I'm being rejected
I don't care if I get sullied...
...or if nobody loves me...
That is...
The Rosa Mystica is the part of our soul that possesses will...

No, I'm not!
You will not...
...let go!
Let me go...
.....
You're...
...afraid.
You're looking away from the truth...
Whoa!
Water ...?!
Suisei-seki...

I'm gonna get swept up...
.. in the turbid stream of memories.. !
Try to remember!
Come back to me!
WHOAAAAH...
Who...
...are you...?

.....
A door...?
Jun...
Around...
...and around...
Remember someone important to you!
You must come back.
?!
You are... Wait!
I know your name.
Quickly!
No...
Is it her...?
Someone...
Important...?

...turns.

The spinning wheel of fate...

Water...?
コポ
?!!
Hey, girls...
Let's have something really delicious cooked up for when Jun-kun wakes up.

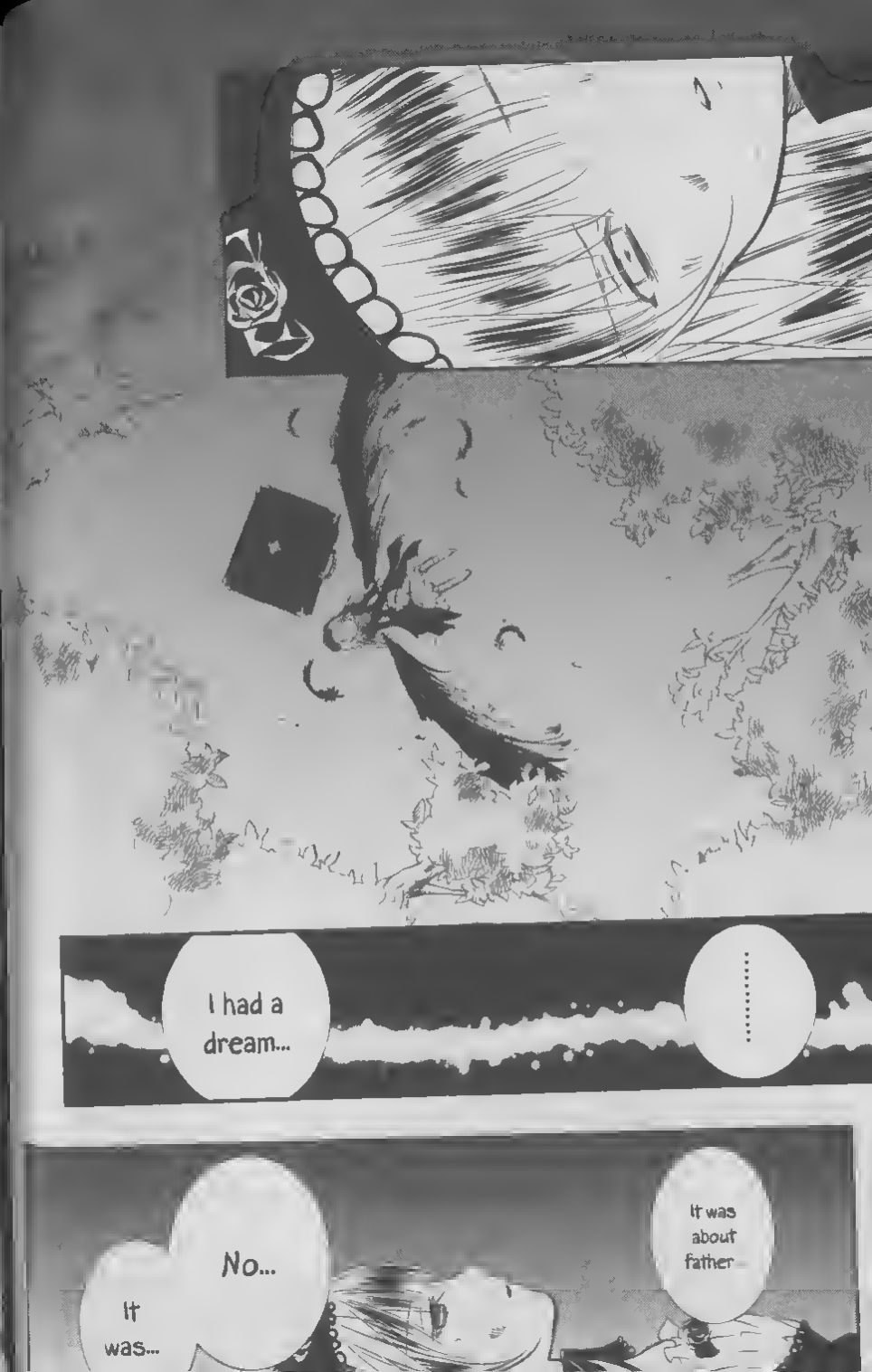
Who...
are you?
...are
you?
Who...
Wha...
Jun...?!
Jun...
Jun...?
Jun!
Where
are you?
The
Sea of
Unconcious-
ness...?

Jun...?
I can sense you're there.
.....
I'm here.
Don't let the current sweep you away
Oh, dear...
Can you remember?
Who...
...Am I...?
.....
She's gone...

Spare me...
Shinku...
Good boy.

What a useless servant you are!
How dare you forget the name of your master!
If you don't get back here soon, I shall give you a hundred lashings on your bottom with a thorny whip!
Jun!
And I'll have Suiseiseki redecorate your room with a flower motif.
And if that's not enough, I will make all of your mail-order goods into Hinaichigo's toys!

Lempicka. Where's Mei Mei?
Um..
Meg..?!


I had a dream...
.....
No...
It was...
It was about father

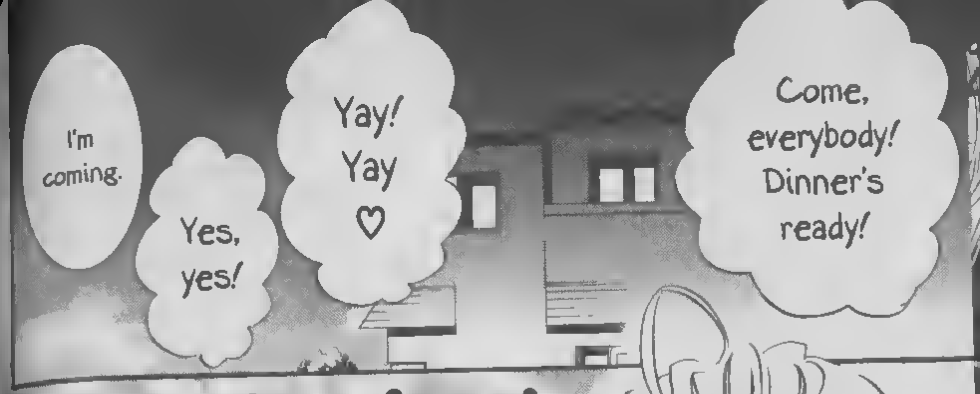
Phase III

Suisuintoh!

Mei Mei,
It's not...
necessary

Jun-kun...!
Jun! We get three meatballs each!
Are you going to have dinner with us?
Ah...
.....
I just came to get a drink of water...

Oh, don't worry about it. Let me know when you're ready to eat.
Sorry...
I see...
Oui!


I'm coming.
Yes, yes!
Yay! Yay ♡
Come, everybody! Dinner's ready!

Kyah!
But that's not all.
...a lovely heart-shaped rice omelet! ♥
Today's menu is...

Make sure to clean your plate
What a surprise, yes!
It's magic! There are meatballs hidden in the chicken rice!

Umph...
Whaaa!
Urm... the downside of this plan is that I can't enjoy dinner myself...
My, that smells good..
What an artistic nice omelet!
Wha...

Mu Ha Ha Ha!
This time, Canaria is a sleuth maiden...
Dinnertime-- when they're busy eating. I will strike.
I dare say my tactics are perfectly scary
I shall sneak into the house in the dark of night.
I shall sneak in quietly from here...
Good The window's open.

?
They will open the door at 20:31 to take the garbage out
When the door opens, I shall slip in over her head.
Here she comes!
I guess I'll have to move to Attack in the Dark Plan B..
I'm not crying, Pizzicato. It will take more than a scratch on the forehead to make a sleuth cry.
Where is she?
Huh?
.....
Whaaa!
Nori, I have one more bag.
Oh?

Shhhh!
Shhhh!
Cana...?
When a human other than Mit-chan sees me I have to pretend I'm dead...or that I'm a regular doll
Is she another of your friends?
Oh, dear. How cute ♥
Uh...?
A few days before
Cana! Cana! Cana! Cana!
Hina! Hina! Hina!
If I say you're a guest, they will let you in.
But then my "Surprise Attack Maiden This is the End" mission won't be complete.
But Cana, you've already been discovered by me.
And if you get in the way, I shall hurt you!
One way or another, I will sneak into that house!
What are you doing with that chalk?
Outlining your corpse.
Eh...?
Urrr.
But I'm not dead!
When he finds a dead body, Kun Kun always secures the crime scene.
Oh...? Hina-chan, who is she?

No matter how many times you watch it, that scene where he figures out the mystery in "Kun Kun and the Silver Platter Madam" is pure poetry
Success!
Especially Shinku and Suiseiseki. Don't you dare tell them.
But don't tell anybody else about me.
Well... Yes.
Urrr? But I'm Shinku's servant, so--
Oh, okay! I won't tell anybody.
Urrr...
Don't cry, Canaria.
I'm telling you not to!
Hina-chan?
JEEE
Oh...?
A vagabond, alley mauden, maybe
I... I have no idea who this is.
Maybe that was too cruel?
Well, we can't leave her here
Let's bring her inside.

I'll find something for you to wear.
Wait just a minute.

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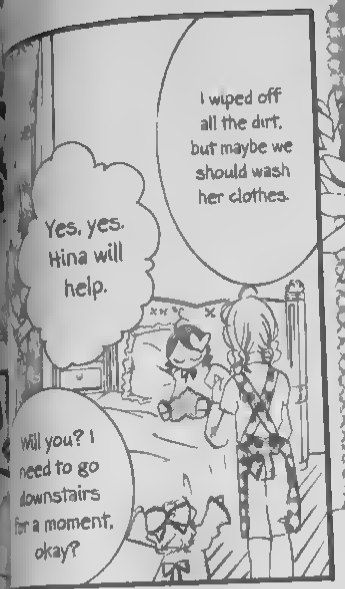
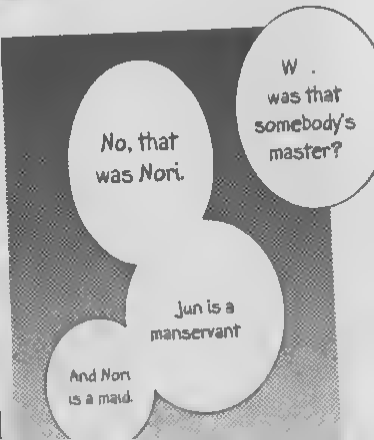
Has she always been helpful like this?
Atchooo!


I wiped off all the dirt, but maybe we should wash her clothes.
Yes, yes. Hina will help.
Will you? I need to go downstairs for a moment, okay?

Here you go.

Are you okay?

What the?!
Here you go
You must undress. Nori is doing the wash.


W . was that somebody's master?
No, that was Nori.
Jun is a manservant
And Nori is a maid.

Wait a second
R-really?
Canary yellow? Okay. Well the only thing I have that's yellow is this old shirt
.....?
Uhh... Jun.
What?
Well...
What?
Ummmmm...
I'm really happy that...
...you're awake now.
I wasn't sure what I would have done if Jun didn't wake up.

Jun is sleeping
We must be quiet.
Oh, Jun. Heh, heh.
It's nighttime...but, good morning
Ah!
Too late
Aren't you going to sleep soon? Why do you need--
Well, because Canari... Ooops!
Canari?
Well, yes, canary yellow I'm looking for yellow clothes.
Nori is washing it
Eeeeh!
I'm looking for clothes...for me to change into. The little plaid shirt.
What're you looking for?

But when morning comes, I always think what a foolish girl I was.
Because...
...There's Tomoe and Nori and Jun and Shinku...
There're lots of people who will wake me up
That I'll be all alone again..
...that I'll never wake up again...
So even now, I get scared sometimes when I go to sleep in my case...
I was all alone in my case for such a long time

Is this okay?
Yeah! Thank you, Jun!
Tee Hee Hee ...
Um... I really like you, Jun!
Hey, watch it...
You don't have to be shy.
I don't need sympathy from the enemy.
Oh? Don't you want it?
My hungry stomach gave itself up?
Oh? You're not faking dead anymore?
I'm back. I got some clothes!
Are you *sure* you don't want it?
I thought you might be hungry, so I brought you this.
Hee Hee Hee
Hina will always wake you up.
So if you ever get scared of sleeping at night...
...tell me, okay?

Eat half of it... and take the other half in a Tupperware?
Then how about this?
Oh...?
.....
AGH!
All right. If you insist...
.....
And when Cana-chan's Mit-chan comes home...
...you can eat it with her bento.
See?
I didn't eat any.
You're not even allowed to look!
It's Cana's!
What's all that racket? Do you know what time it is?

Hanamaru Burger! I want one, too!
Didn't you just have dinner, Hina?
But, Cana, you're not even hungry...
I'm not not hungry...?
We didn't have any rice omelet left, so I heated some leftovers up
Hanamaru Burger...
But Mit-chan has a bento waiting for me when Cana gets home
But Mit-chan has to work late these days and so I have to eat by myself
We used to eat together all the time.

You made...
...a promise?!
Who?

Oh...

Phase 3

Sign: University Hospital

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Open wide...
Okay...
No way.
You must eat.
This is stupid.
Come on, just one bite

How do you like it?
.....

Why do I have to hide in there?
Were you scared?
Are you kidding?
...Suiguintoh.

Come on, already.
That song
Are you still mad about this afternoon?
Why don't you come over here?
Lights out Now we're safe.
Song?
.....
What's it called?
Oh, that song.
If you come closer.
I'll tell you.

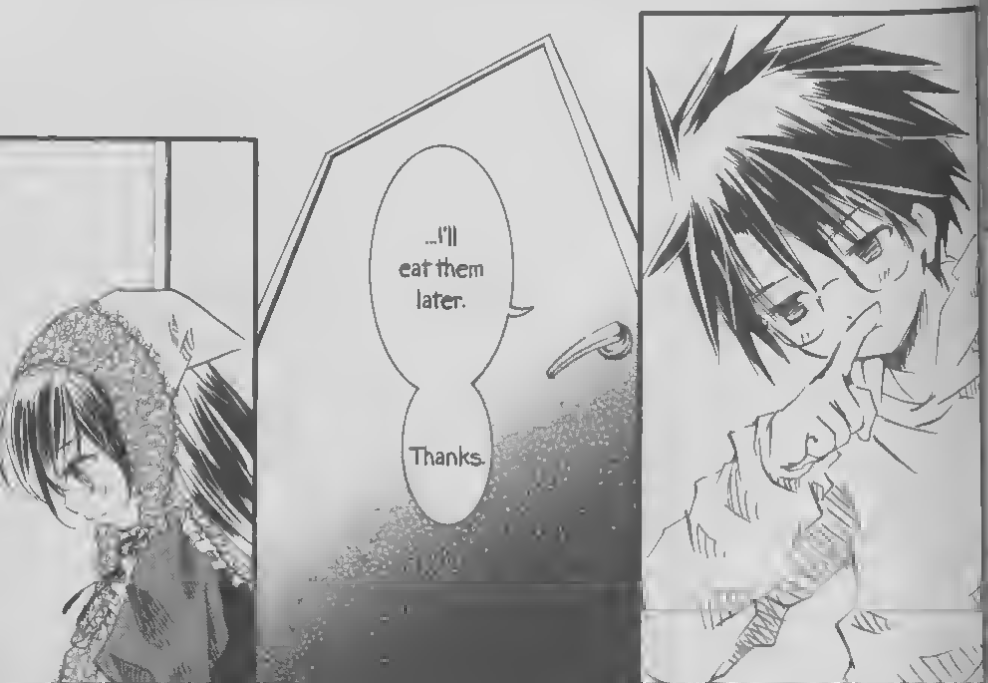
See?!
It's terrible.
I knew she was troubled, but..
It's Meg-chan.
You couldn't possibly eat this stuff, could you?

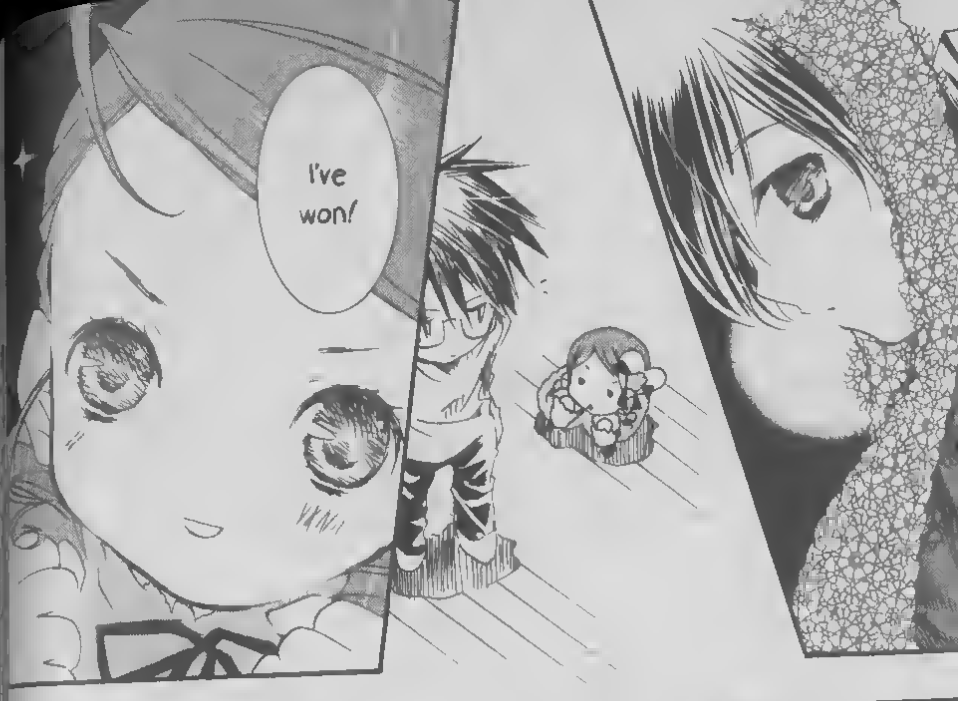
It felt as though my life was being sucked away by her hands.
I was more afraid of my grandmother's wrinkled hands than the pain itself.
Isn't that horrible?
Whenever I was in pain, she would hold my hand and sing it.
My grandmother used to sing it to me
That song
...the pain in my chest eases.
But whenever I hear that song...
I hate it.
How do you like the human bed?
...I've no longer been afraid of death.
Ever since my grandmother died...
...my pain would vanish completely
Sometimes I think... that if I just died...
You poor thing...
.....
But you can't sleep in your case with your wings like that.

Go ahead and use my life.
I'm sorry...
You know...
...I don't even know the name of the song.
You're being very quiet.
What's wrong?
Look at you...
You're in tatters.
♫
Orange flower is...
Blooming
♫
The white, white blossom...
♪

Kyaa Maybe?
Shut up!
Is it over yet?
Ack...
She might be all right for a broth.
Just get it over with!
Stewed Canaria doesn't sound appetizing.
Oh, dear God... not another one!
Will you guys all shut up!
sigh
Go on... Shooo.
Ouuu...
And be quiet!
Go back downstairs!
Uuuu...
Stew me or fry me--you can do with me as you wish.
I guess I'll just have to accept the fact that I've been discovered . . .

I made cookies last night..
Come get some.
I have truffles, too.
And some Kun Kun sausages.
And Hina's Mapolle..
You guys...


...I'll eat them later.
Thanks.


I've won!

This one's as bad as the others...
Jun's short and not beautiful but Tomoe is beautiful!
Mit-chan is taller and more beautiful
Leave Jun alone...
Tell her to just go home.

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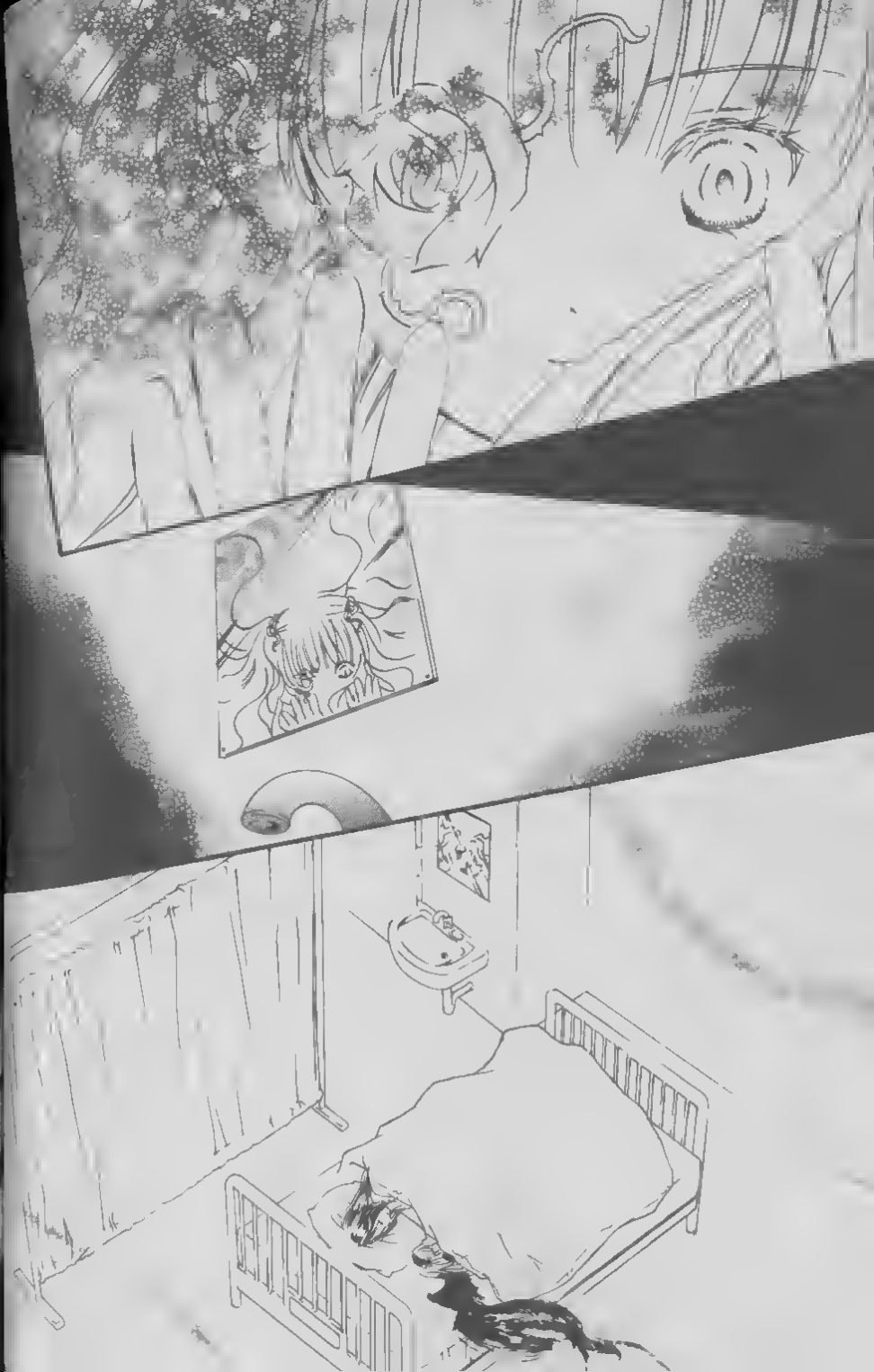
Although he may only be a bud now, he shall soon blossom.

...all bloom at different times.

Roses, lilies, rhododendrons, and cosmos...

Phase 32



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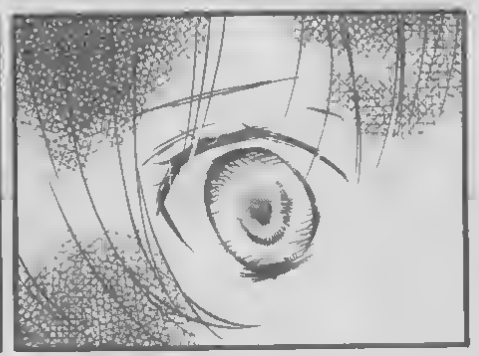
No...
That doll might be...
Her left eye sees everything but reflects nothing...
...while her right eye is an empty hole with...
...a white rose growing out of it.
There were many currents running into Jun's sea from the Sea of Unconsciousness..
...making the boundaries of Jun's consciousness ambiguous.
That doll was not the product of Jun's memory

不死屋
Here's your usual...
I threw in an extra one for you.

Sign · Fujiya

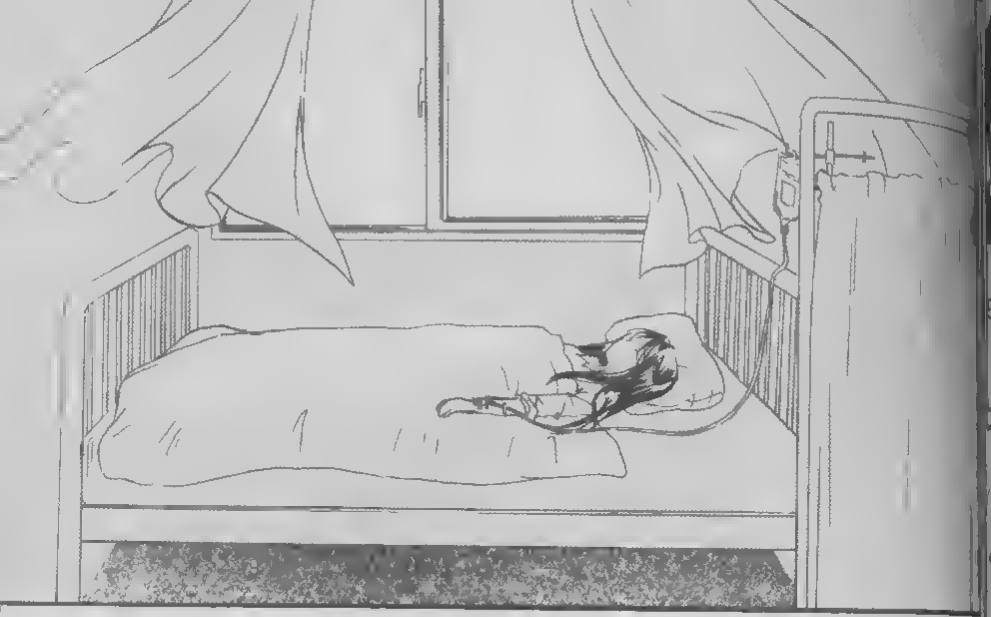
不死屋
不死屋

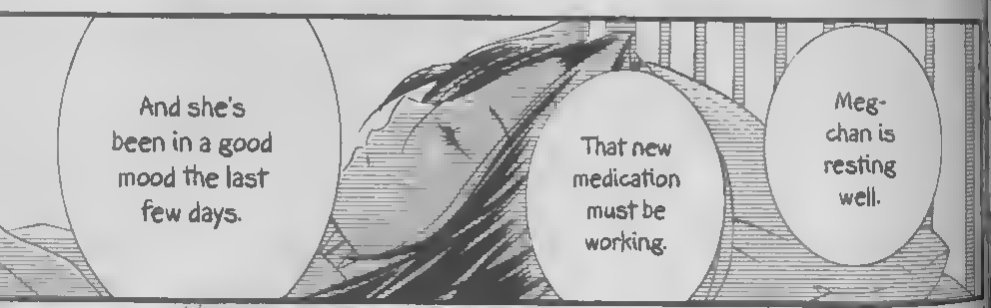
...all awoken at the same time.
The seven Rozen Maidens have...

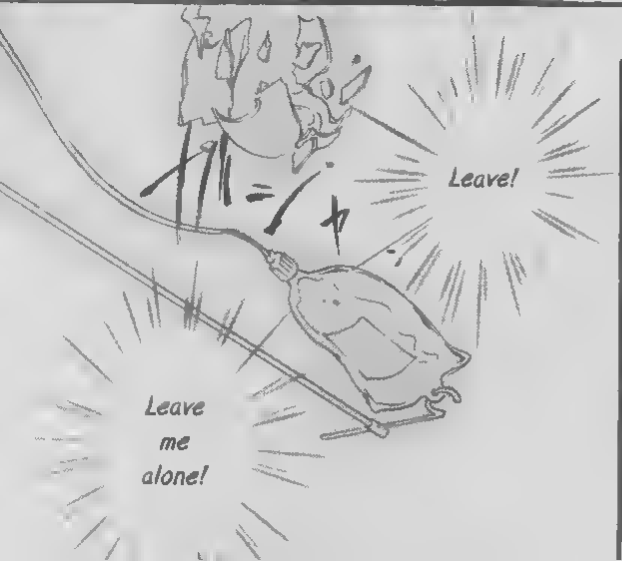


Seven?

Your stomach's rumbling!
Does this mean you will be joining us for dinner?
.....
Yes! She says yes.
I haven't said anything yet... maybe
パキ
Cana, you're such a child. I tasted this thrill ages ago...
A...amazing..isn't it? That such a grown up world exists...
Hey... Not bad
Oh hello, Cana-chan You've come to visit again?
And don't sit so close to the TV.. And turn the lights on, idiots!
Hey! I can't see!
It's dead again!
Kyaaaa!




And she's been in a good mood the last few days.
That new medication must be working.
Meg-chan is resting well.


Leave!
Leave me alone!

Remember last month...?

It's Tomoe! ♥
Welcome, Tomoe-chan

...a girl with golden hair just like yours, Hinaichigo.
I just saw...

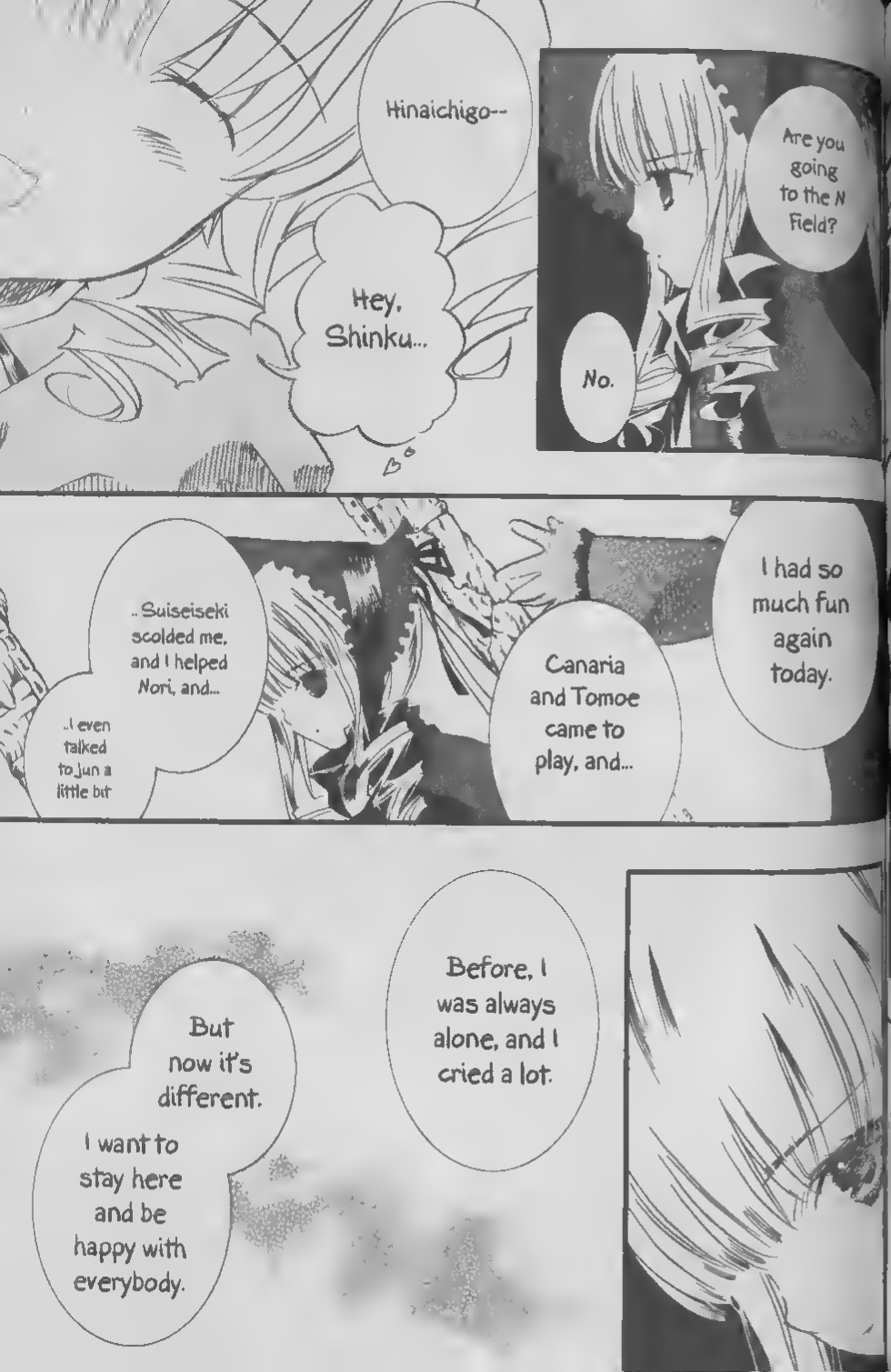
Hmm..
Just like a little doll...

Who is this?
I guess she is pretty... if you look at her carefully enough. But she's not sexy.

That's right...
Go look for the girl in white.

Be careful, Hollier...

But if I do that, Meg will...
The power of the bond...?
If I sign the contract with Meg
...all her energy will be mine.
Use my life... please.
...and yet...
I didn't execute a contract with Meg...
Is this the power of the doll and her master...?
I can feel my wounds healing.
...her consciousness still flows through me.


Hinaichigo--
Hey, Shinku...
Are you going to the N Field?
No.
..I even talked to Jun a little bit
..Suiseiseki scolded me, and I helped Nori, and...
Canaria and Tomoe came to play, and...
I had so much fun again today.
But now it's different.
I want to stay here and be happy with everybody.
Before, I was always alone, and I cried a lot.

Shinku?!
Don't worry. Go to bed without me.
What're you doing? It's almost time for bed.

The Rozen Maidens...
The seven dolls created by the doll maker Rozen.
I will end the Alice Game.
I have no intention of playing it forever.
Then the Alice Game won't end.
But that's not possible...
Now, let's go back to the room and get to sleep.
...you no longer have to fight.
You're a kindred soul, Hinaichigo
Since you dropped out of the game and became my servant..

The first doll is Suiguintoh.
The second, Canaria.
And the third, Suiseiseki.
The fourth doll, Souseiseki.
The fifth doll Shinku.
The sixth doll Hinaichigo.
And the seventh doll...

Since you are here, there is something I want to ask you.
Now the seventh rose is...
The Demon of Laplace!
Well, well. A dream is reality and reality is a dream.
There is nothing happening in this world. It is the same as a midsummer night's dream.
Oh...?
Looks as though the fifth young lady has been the first to bloom.
The fate of the seven sisters is to play the Alice Game
And the sisters...
...will kill one another happily thereafter.
.....
Such an impolite child you are Coming here without an invitation

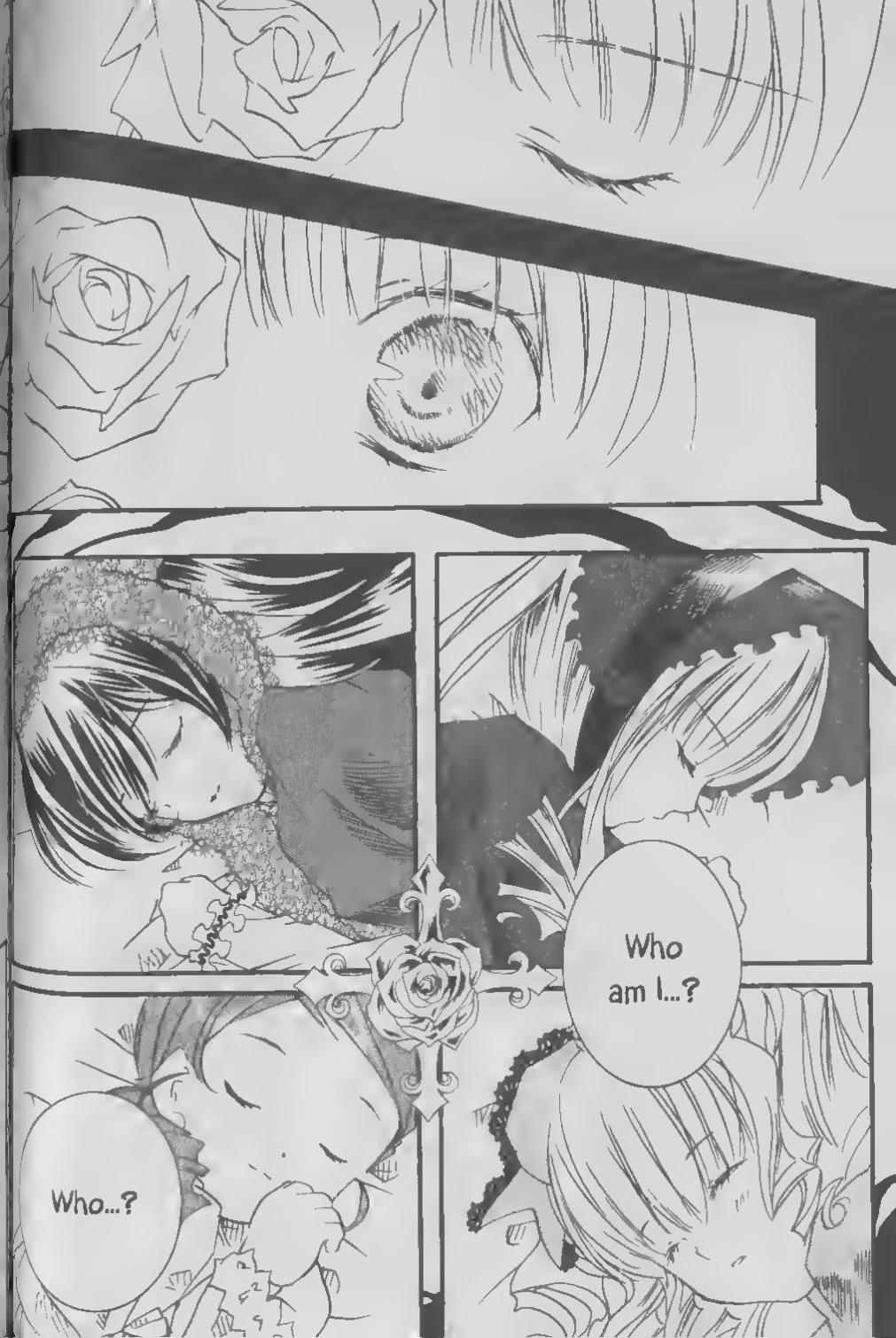
Nightin-gale?
No, it is a lark...
...not a nightingale, that announces the coming of dawn.

Is she a dream or reality..? Reality or a dream...?
If a dream is something that disappears with the song of a nightngale that announces the dawn...
...then the seventh maiden is also a dream..

I wonder ...?
The Seventh Rozen Maiden...

There's nobody here.
The seventh young lady...
You've seen her already, haven't you?
I don't think there's anyone among the sisters that has met the seventh doll.
Hmmm...
Well, you sisters should know better than I.
So, that was her.

Where do I...
...go home?


Who am I...?
Who...?

Aaaah!
Why are you here on a Sunday morning?!
I can't help it, maybe? Mit-chan has to work on the weekend.
We're having breakfast!
Umm..
I wonder who it is on a Sunday morning?
Coming
The door?
ding dong
It's fine. It's nice and lively..
Are you looking for something?
Oh... Tomoe-chan?
Good morning.
Don't you have practice this morning?
Yes, but on my way!--
Tomoe?!

Hinai-
chigo
...?
Tomoe!
You dumb little kid, you're spilling all over
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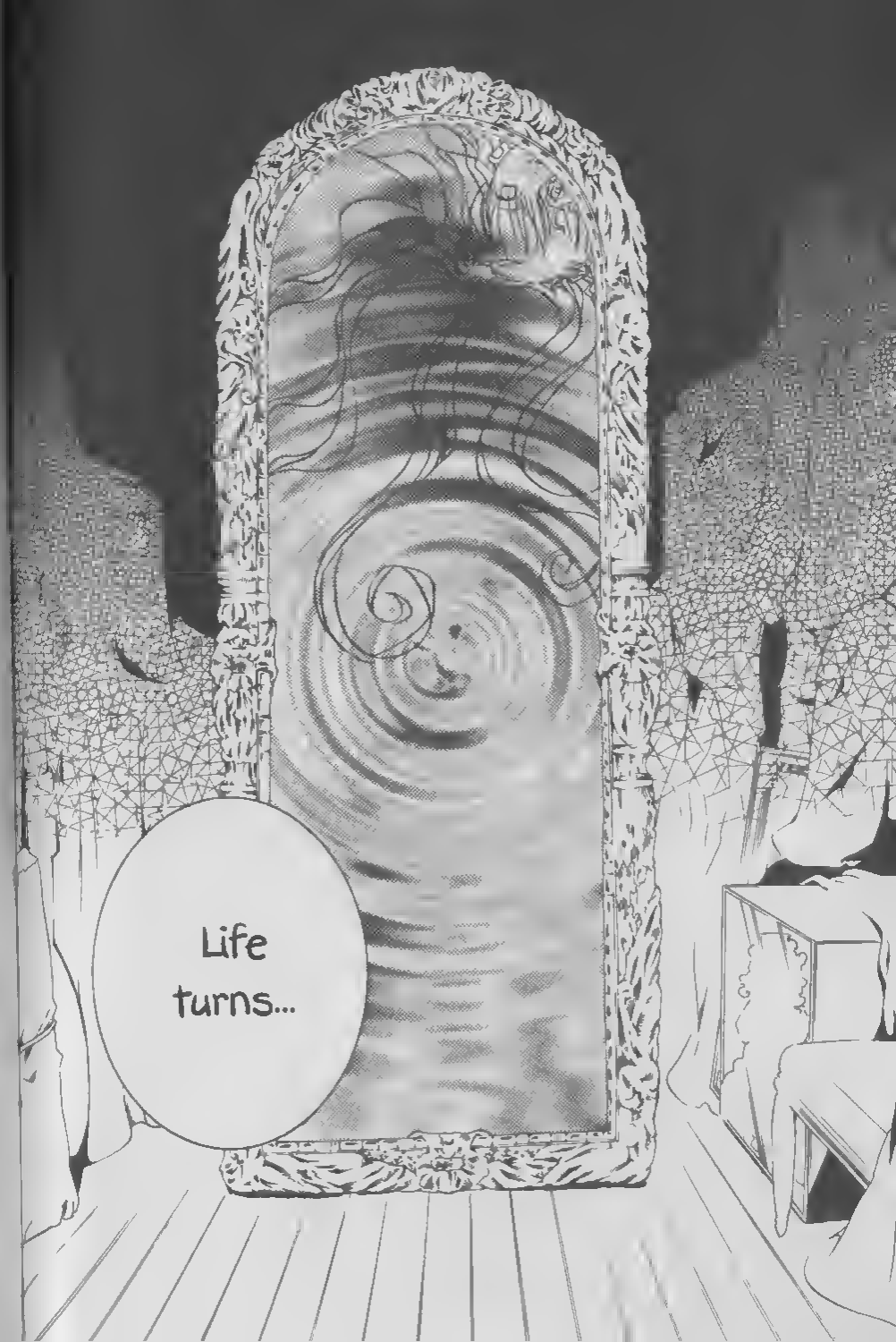

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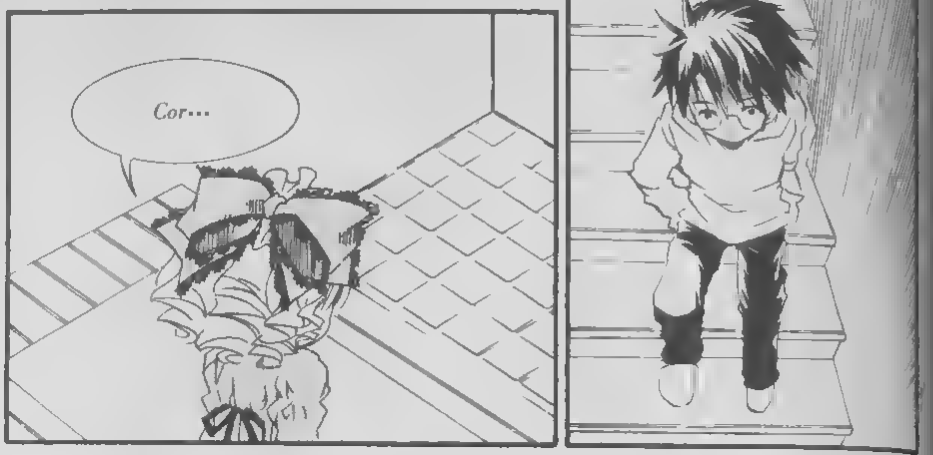
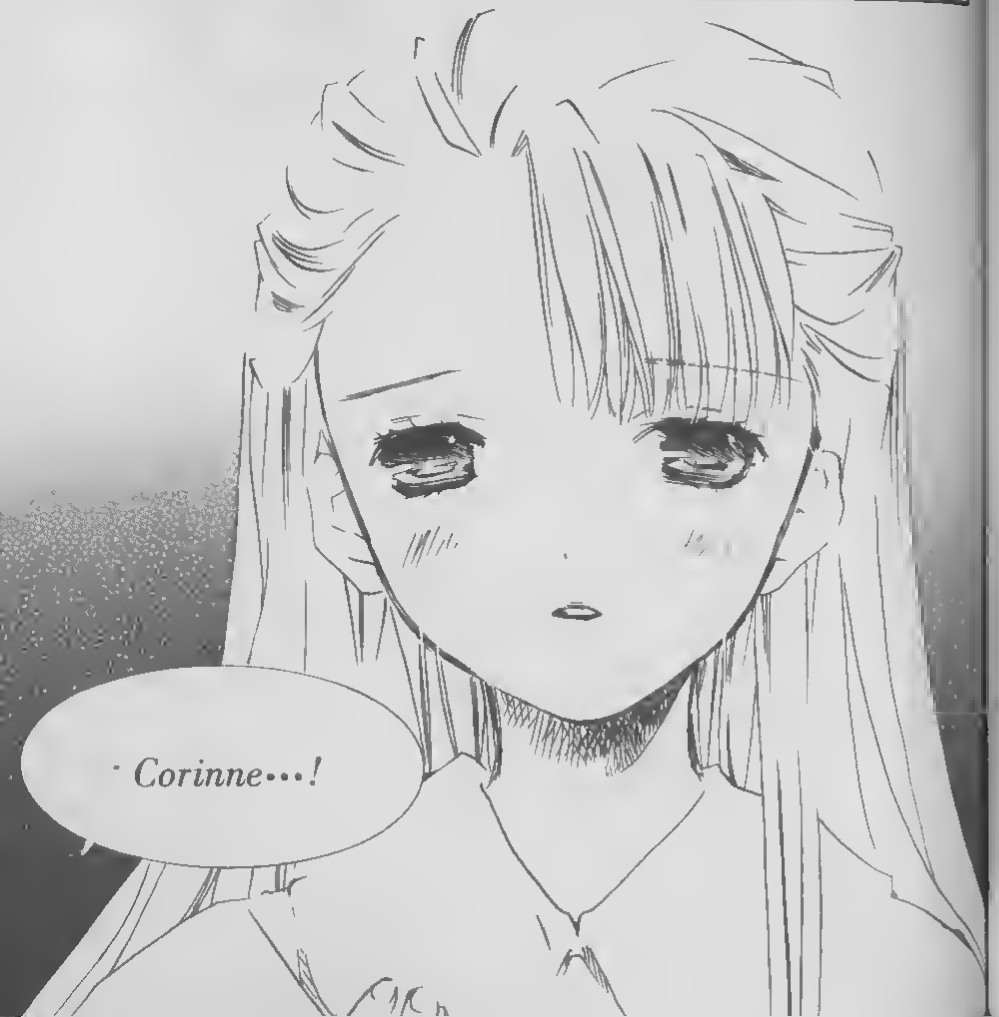


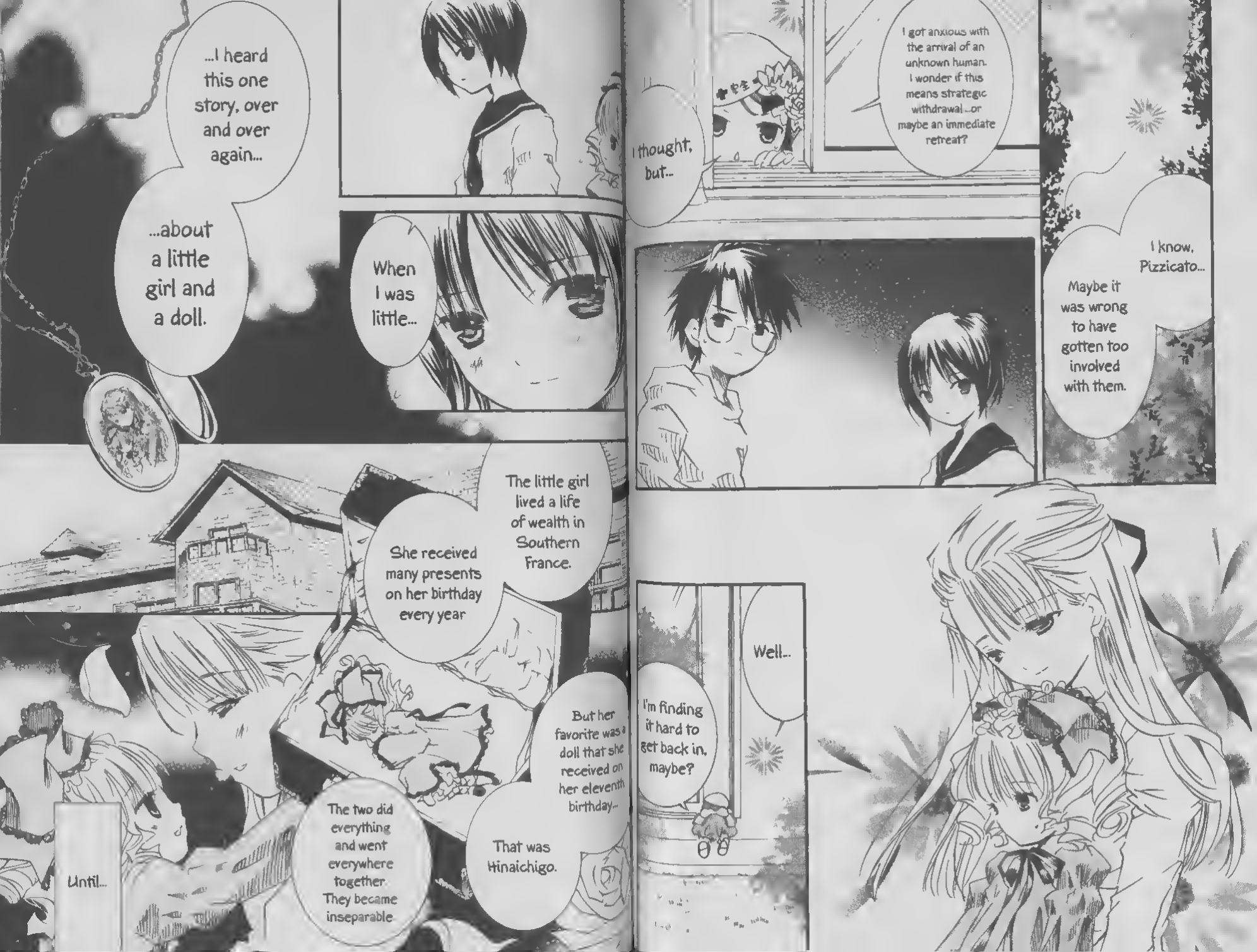


Rozen Maiden

Hinaichigo ...
Where is Hinaichigo?
Why were you looking for my house?
I wondered that, too.
I can only assume that it has something to do with the Rozen Maidens.
Whe... where are you going?
Hey...

That's...
I just happened to find her looking for your house, Sakurada-kun...
She's from France, but she lived in Japan when she was little
This is... Fosset-san.

No, Hinaichigo.
I'm not Corinne.
I'm Odile Fosset.
This is Corinne Fosset...
...my grandmother... who died.
Look.
Corinne..
Are you Corinne?
You're Hinaichigo...

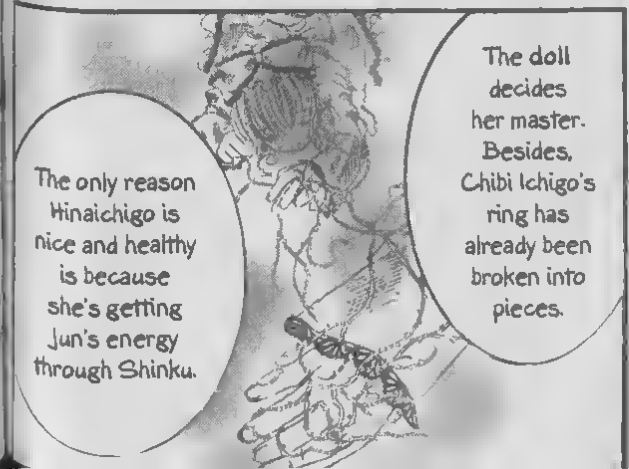

...I heard this one story, over and over again...
...about a little girl and a doll.
When I was little...
The little girl lived a life of wealth in Southern France.
She received many presents on her birthday every year
But her favorite was a doll that she received on her eleventh birthday...
That was Hinaichigo.
The two did everything and went everywhere together. They became inseparable
Until...
I got anxious with the arrival of an unknown human. I wonder if this means strategic withdrawal...or maybe an immediate retreat?
I thought, but...
I know, Pizzicato...
Maybe it was wrong to have gotten too involved with them.
Well...
I'm finding it hard to get back in, maybe?

...she realized the seriousness of her sin.
...the little girl was forced to move to another town.
This was a catastrophic event in the little girl's life
I'll hide and wait for you
Okay.
And when...
...she returned several years later...
She gave me this locket and asked me . . .
It haunted my grandmother until the moment she died.
...to find Hinaichigo and bring her back.

Dumb little human master/ Jun will crush you!
Eep! You wanna fight, yes?
You...
.....
But...
I have this on my finger...
What?!
Is that the ring-
Yes. This is...
...Hinaichigo's ring.

I can't believe what I'm hearing, yes!
Wait just one moment!
Yes!

Dumb little Ichigo's master is this dumb little human!
I told you guys to stay outside


The only reason Hinaichigo is nice and healthy is because she's getting Jun's energy through Shinku.
The doll decides her master. Besides, Chibi Ichigo's ring has already been broken into pieces.

Suiseiseki
...
As a member of the Rozen Maiden sisters, I can't just stand here and listen to this.

Look through the window.
A castle made of white crystal...
What I saw then...was covered in white roses...

I had a dream.
I was surrounded by a milky fog...
I walked through it as though someone was calling me...

The ring led me here.
And when I awoke, I found this ring on my finger.
...must have returned to me.
The ring that was destroyed after she was separated from Hinaichigo...
It must have belonged to my grandmother.
She must retire...
...from the game.
The window of the mind... The gap in the N Field...?
Me...?
Let's take Hinaichigo back.
Someone whispered to me there.
Let's return her to the form she was intended to be.

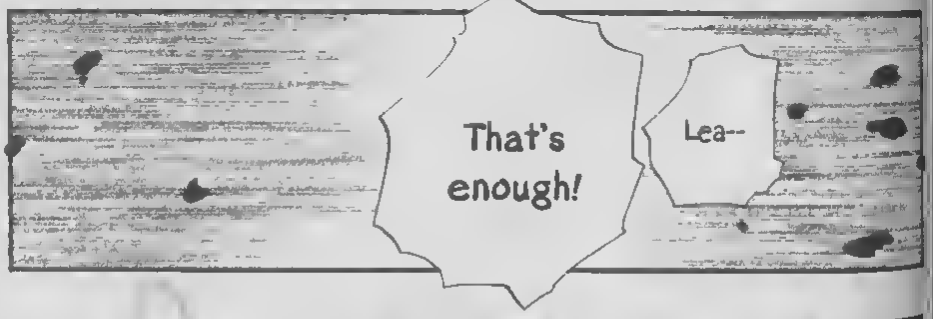
The doll in white...
.....
Hina-ichigo.
.....
Jun-kun...
I met her in Hinaichigo's world back then.
Why did I forget about her?
Hinaichigo, is that true?
Uryuuu...
Urr...
I think...
I've seen her, too.
White... White thorns and... White roses...
White crystal...
What is it, Tomoe?

Suiguintoh..
Have you disappeared again?
Suiguin-toh
I can't stay close to her any more
Meg-chan?! Are you okay?
I'll clean it up later. Just leave me alone
What do you want to do?
I'm not your master. She is the one with the ring
You have to decide what you want to do.
Ju, Jun-kun.
...go with her ...?
But you have to... Do you want to stay here or...
.....
Ouiii... don't know...
.....

Get the hell out of here!
Ah!
Leave!
Meg-cha--
Shut up and leave!
Leave!
I don't need your sympathy.
Just leave.

Isn't your shift over, Sahara-san?
You don't have to stay, you know

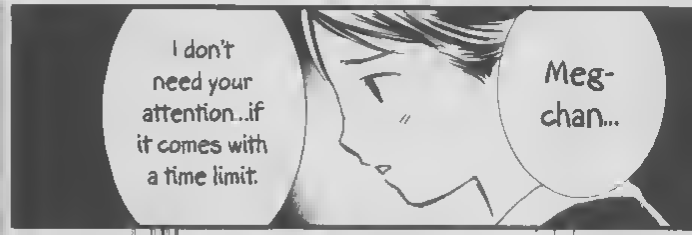
It was blooming so nicely.
I told you to leave me alone


That's enough!
Lea--

Dad ..?

Meg..!

Why are you saying these things? This isn't you Meg-chan.
Isn't ME?
What do you know about me?


I don't need your attention..if it comes with a time limit.
Meg-chan...

You're attentive only because it's your job.
I know you think I'm a troublesome brat

The Alice Game...
It was supposed to be...
She said she's not in a hurry for an answer...
She said she's staying a little longer
What's it all about anyway?
Can you make a contract without even knowing the master?
We can all decide together.

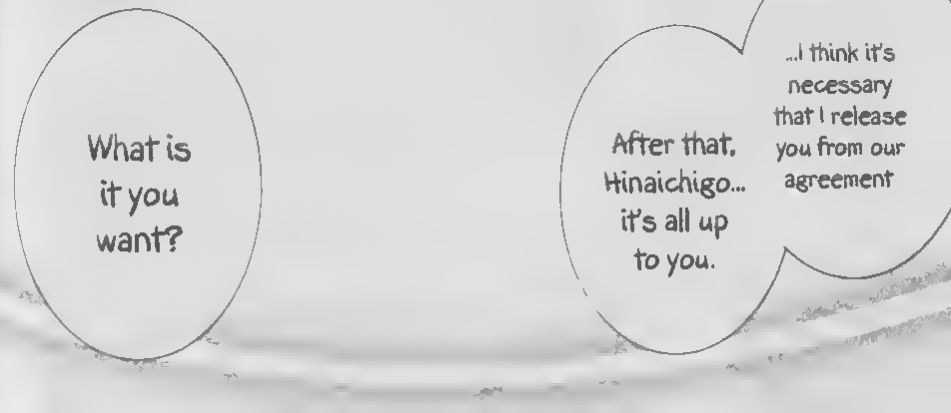
It's a new design by Lilia Yumegahara-san. I tried to go to the doll festival the other day, but they had sold out
However! I found out that they were taking five special orders online!
It's fate, don't you think?! I started trying ten minutes before they went on sale, and managed to fight the crowd!
Ta-daaa! Look!
It's your new dress, Cana!
You look kinda sad.
Uh huh...
Huh...? Cana?
I pushed the F5 key until it almost fell off...
I love you all over again!
Canaria, who plays any game seriously...
Yes, yes, was it the Alice Game?
It's no play, I think! I, Canaria, will cheat and easily--
Didn't you go to Jun-kun's house to play today?

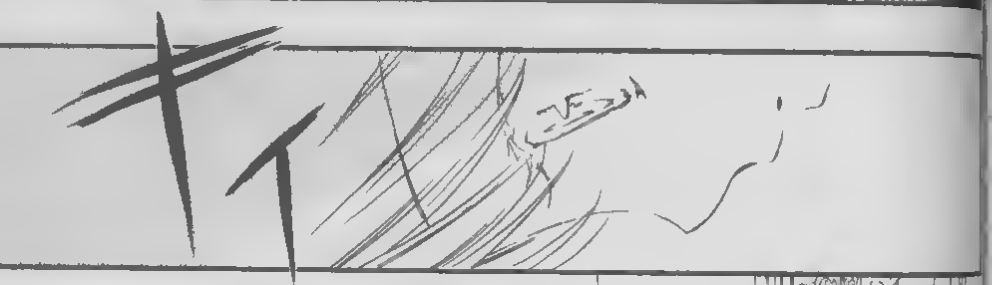
You can't just say you don't know.
Hey!
It's your life. You have to decide.
.....
I just don't know...
Hina-ichigo!

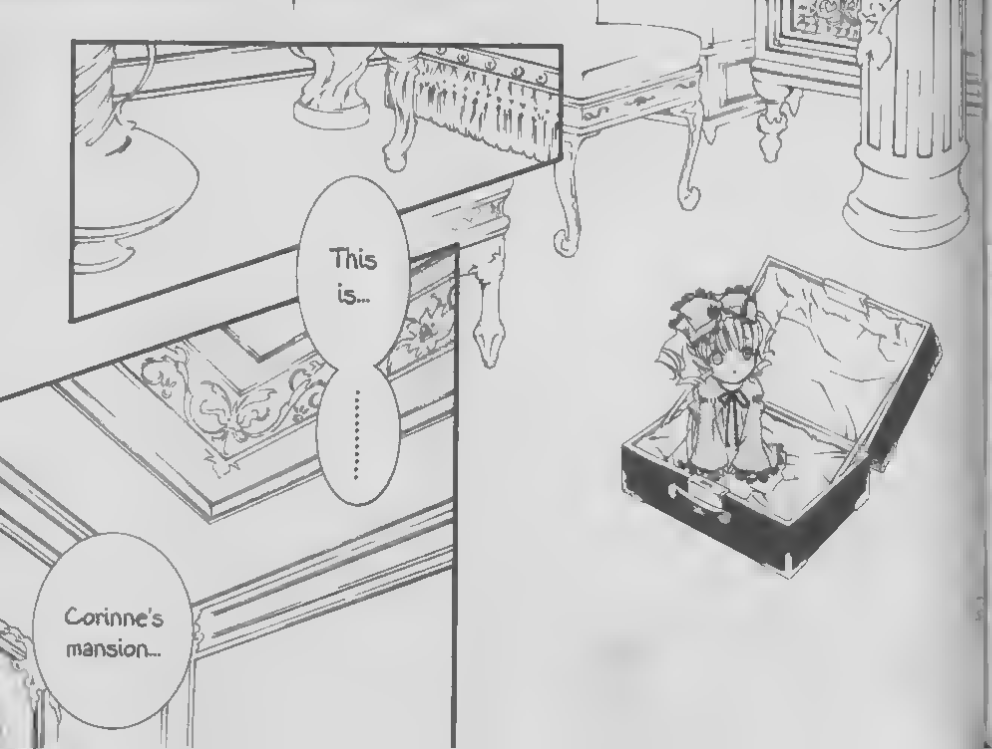
I'm... sorry...
Stop it, Sakurada-kun...

But that blond-haired human said in her dream...
If that's so, then physical distance is inconsequential.
But it's not possible to fulfill the conditions of the contract without the human and the maiden having contact with one another
Since Tomoe's ring is gone, it's not inconceivable that a new ring would be created.

In any case...
...since a human has appeared who claims to be your master...
.....
I don't know...
Chibi Chibi... Did that blond visit you in your dreams?


What is it you want?
After that, Hinaichigo... it's all up to you.
...I think it's necessary that I release you from our agreement

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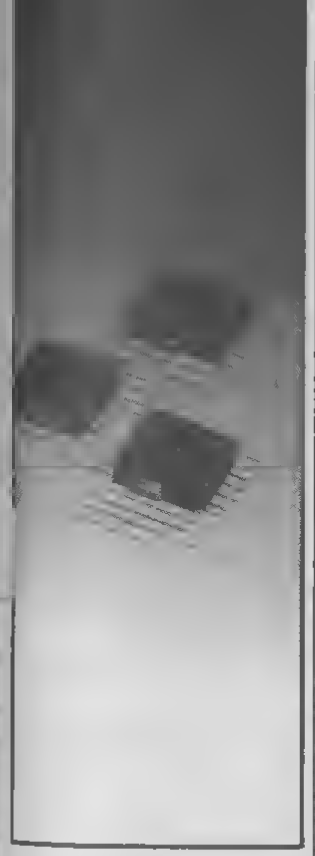
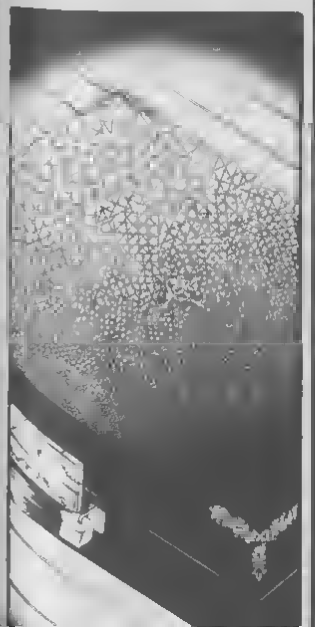
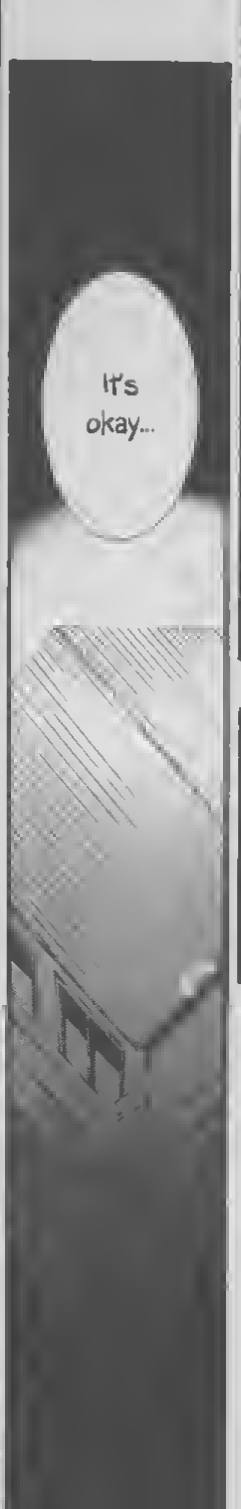
Corinne's mansion...






It's okay...

I'm... really.. sorry...

Urrr...
.....

It's okay, Hinaichigo...
It's okay ...
We'll rest to-night...

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